2014 Cold Related Fatalities

There were 43 extreme cold deaths in 2014, almost double the 2013 total of 24. This number is well above the 10-year average of 29 cold-related deaths. For the seventh consecutive year, Illinois retained the dubious distinction of having the most cold-related deaths, 21, followed distantly by Wisconsin, 10; and Minnesota, 6. The majority of the extreme cold deaths in 2014 occurred outside, 24 (56%). The hardest hit age ranges in 2014 were 60-69, which accounted for 10 deaths (23%) and 50-59 (16%). More men, 26 (60%), were victims than women, 17 (40%).

State	IW	MH	OT	OU	PH	VE	Total
IL (Illinois)	0	0	6	6	9	0	21
KY (Kentucky)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
LA (Louisiana)	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
MN (Minnesota)	0	0	0	6	0	0	6
NV (Nevada)	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
PA (Pennsylvania)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
WI (Wisconsin)	0	0	1	8	0	1	10
WV (West Virginia)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Total	0	0	7	24	10	2	43
Percent	0.00	0.00	16.28	55.81	23.26	4.65	

2014 Cold Related Fatalities by Age and Gender						
	Female	Male	Unknown	Total	Percent	
0 to 9	0	0	0	0	0.00	
10 to 19	0	2	0	2	4.65	
20 to 29	0	0	0	0	0.00	
30 to 39	1	2	0	3	6.98	
40 to 49	0	4	0	4	9.30	
50 to 59	4	3	0	7	16.28	
60 to 69	4	6	0	10	23.26	
70 to 79	2	4	0	6	13.95	
80 to 89	3	3	0	6	13.95	
90 to	3	2	0	5	11.63	
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0.00	
Total	17	26	0	43		
Percent	39.53	60.47	0.00			

	Legend
IW -	In Water
MH -	Mobile/Trailer Home
OT -	Other
OU -	Outside/Open Areas
PH -	Permanent Home
VE -	Vehicle/Towed Trailer